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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Andrzej Z. Sledziewski et al.

Serial No.: 08/980,400

Filed: November 26, 1997

For: METHODS OF PRODUCING

SECRETED RECEPTOR ANALOGS AND BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE DIMERIZED POLYPEPTIDE

FUSIONS

Examiner: C. Kaufman

Art Unit No.: 1646

PETITION TO EXTEND TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks for an extension of time for response to the Office Action dated September 28, 1998 for three (3) months, from December 28, 1998 to March 28, 1999. An Amendment is enclosed herewith.

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04/12/1999 HHORTON 00000005 201430 Please charge the fee of \$870 to Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP Deposit Account No. 20-1430. charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

Respect fully submitted,

Dated: 3/28/44

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